

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 1804
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 9, 2017; March 23, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources &
 1-4 Economic Development; April 27, 2017, reported adversely, with
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,
 1-6 Nays 0, 2 present not voting; April 27, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16	X			
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1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1804 By: Zaffirini

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue by
 1-24 certain municipalities.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 351.1054, Tax Code, is
 1-27 amended to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 351.1054. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE: ELIGIBLE BARRIER
 1-29 ISLAND COASTAL MUNICIPALITY [~~FOR ECOLOGICAL TOURISM AND SPACECRAFT~~
 1-30 ~~AND SPACEPORT ACTIVITIES BY CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES~~].

1-31 SECTION 2. Sections 351.1054(b) and (c), Tax Code, are
 1-32 amended to read as follows:

1-33 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, an
 1-34 eligible barrier island coastal municipality may use revenue from
 1-35 the municipal hotel occupancy tax for:

1-36 (1) promotional and event expenses for an ecological
 1-37 tourism event, including an event for which the primary attraction
 1-38 is traveling to an area of natural or ecological interest for the
 1-39 purpose of observing and learning about wildlife and the area's
 1-40 natural environment, if:

1-41 (A) a majority of the event's participants are
 1-42 tourists; and

1-43 (B) the event substantially increases economic
 1-44 activity at hotels and motels within or in the vicinity of the
 1-45 municipality; ~~and~~

1-46 (2) expenses directly related to:

1-47 (A) the acquisition of sites to observe
 1-48 spacecraft and spaceport activities; and

1-49 (B) the construction, improvement, enlarging,
 1-50 equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of facilities
 1-51 utilized by hotel guests to observe and learn about spacecraft and
 1-52 spaceport operations; and

1-53 (3) expenses directly related to the construction,
 1-54 improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of
 1-55 coastal sports facilities owned by the municipality, including boat
 1-56 docks, boat ramps, and fishing piers used by hotel guests, if:

1-57 (A) the coastal sports facilities have been used
 1-58 in the preceding calendar year a combined total of more than five
 1-59 times for district, state, regional, or national sports tournaments
 1-60 or events; and

2-1 (B) the majority of the events at the coastal
2-2 sports facilities are directly related to a sports tournament or
2-3 event in which the majority of participants are tourists who
2-4 substantially increase economic activity at hotels within or in the
2-5 vicinity of the municipality.

2-6 (c) A municipality may use for the purposes provided by
2-7 Subsections (b)(1), ~~[and]~~ (2), and (3) not more than the greater of:

2-8 (1) 15 percent of the hotel occupancy tax revenue
2-9 collected by the municipality; or

2-10 (2) the amount of tax received by the municipality at
2-11 the rate of one percent of the cost of a room.

2-12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-16 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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